

## Message Text

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ACTION EB-07

INFO OCT-01 IO-13 ISO-00 AGR-05 CEA-01 CIAE-00 COME-00

DODE-00 FRB-03 H-02 INR-07 INT-05 L-03 LAB-04 NSAE-00

NSC-05 PA-01 AID-05 CIEP-01 SS-15 STR-04 ITC-01

TRSE-00 USIA-06 PRS-01 SP-02 FEAE-00 OMB-01 AF-08

ARA-06 EA-07 EUR-12 NEA-10 /136 W

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FM USMISSION GENEVA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 1880

INFO AMEMBASSY PRETORIA

USMISSION OECD PARIS

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ETRD, GATT, SF

SUBJ: SOUTH AFRICAN IMPORT DEPOSIT SCHEME (IDS)

REF: (A) GENEVA 6421, (B) STATE 196773

1. GATT DOCUMENT L/4386 OF 12 AUGUST 76 (POUCHED  
WASHINGTON NORMAL DISTRIBUTION AND EMBASSY PRETORIA)  
CONTAINS SAG NOTIFICATION OF IDS. FOLLOWING IS SUMMARY  
OF JUSTIFICATION GIVEN IN NOTIFICATION:

ANTICIPATED CYCLICAL IMPROVEMENT IN SOUTH AFRICA'S  
BALANCE OF PAYMENTS DELAYED BY UNEXPECTED ADVERSE  
DEVELOPMENTS, INCLUDING DECLINE IN GOLD PRICE, WORLD-WIDE  
RECESSION AND DECLINE IN NET INFLOW OF FOREIGN CAPITAL.  
FUNDAMENTAL MONETARY AND FISCAL MEASURES EXPECTED TO SHOW  
FULL EFFECT FROM THIRD QUARTER ONWARDS. HOWEVER, CURRENT  
DEFICIT IS STILL UNDULY LARGE AND SINCE IN RECENT MONTHS CURRENT  
DEFICIT HAS NOT BEEN ADEQUATELY COVERED BY NET INFLOW OF  
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FOREIGN CAPITAL, OFFICIAL GOLD AND OTHER FOREIGN RESERVES

HAVE DECREASED. RESERVES WILL PROBABLY REMAIN UNDER  
PRESSURE FOR SOME MONTHS. IN VIEW OF THE ABOVE IDS  
NEEDED TO SUPPLEMENT MONETARY AND FISCAL POLICIES. MAIN  
PURPOSE OF IDS TO ACCELERATE EXPECTED IMPROVEMENT IN  
BOP AND ENSURE THAT ECONOMY DERIVES FULL BENEFIT FROM  
RECOVERY IN MAJOR INDUSTRIAL COUNTRIES.

2. AS NOTED REF (A) NOTIFICATION MAKES NO RPT NO  
REFERENCE TO GATT ARTICLE XII.CATTO

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## Message Attributes

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